

CONSTITUTION

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Article I. Section 1. All legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives.

Section 2. The House of Representatives shall be composed of Members chosen every second Year by the People of the several States, and the Electors in each State shall have the Qualifications requisite for Electors of the most numerous Branch of the State Legislature.

No Person shall be a Representative who shall not have attained to the Age of twenty five Years, seven Years shall have elapsed since the Entry into the World of the Person, and when elected he shall have been seven Years a Citizen of the United States, and, when elected, he shall, when he next meets, have been seven Years a Citizen of the State in which he shall be so elected.

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NOVA SCOTIA,  
HELD WITH THE  
BAPTIST CHURCH AT CANARD, CORNWALLIS,  
*Saturday, Monday, and Tuesday,*  
June 27th, 29th, and 30th, 1874.  
TOGETHER WITH THE  
CIRCULAR LETTER,  
AND  
SECOND ANNUAL REPORT OF THE  
Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union.

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## MINUTES.

**CANARD, CORNWALLIS,**  
*Saturday Morning, June 27th, 1874.*

The Nova Scotia Central Baptist Association, convened this day with the 1st. Cornwallis Church, at 10 o'clock. A. M.

The Moderator of last year, Rev. W. E. Hall, called the Association to order. After singing, prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. Cramp.

The following is the

### LIST OF DELEGATES.

*Aylesford, Upper*—Rev. J. L. Read, Deacons S. Bowlby, William West, George Eaton and Oliver Cogswell.

*Bridgewater*.—Rev. S. March, Brethren B. W. C. Manning, Robert West.

*Canning*.—Rev. D. Freeman, Brethren L. Woodworth, A. Bentley, W. Peck, J. S. Witter.

*Chelsea*.—William Faulkner.

*Chester*.—Rev. I. J. Skinner.

*Cornwallis 1st*.—Rev. S. B. Kempton, Deacons Joshua Ellis, Thomas Rand, K. Eaton, William Thomas, John Chipman and Elisha Harris.

*Cornwallis 2nd*.—Brethren Edward Parker, C. V. Rawding and A. J. Stevens, Licentiate.

*Cornwallis 3rd*.—Deacons E. C. Parker, C. W. Rockwell, W. Roscoe, Brethren W. C. Bill, James Bligh.

*Cornwallis 4th*.—Rev. J. L. Read.

*Cornwallis 5th*.—Rev. D. Freeman, Deacon G. Davidson, Brethren W. A. Upper, David Palmetter, Daniel Sanford.

*Ellershouse*.—Rev. Joseph H. Robbins, Deacon S. Mills.

*Falmouth*.—Rev. Joseph Murray, Brethren Burpee Shaw, Lewis Messenger.

*Halifax 1st*.—Rev. E. M. Saunders, Deacons S. Selden, R. N. Beckwith, other J. W. Ruhland.

*Halifax 2nd*.—Rev. J. F. Avery, Deacons N. McDonald, David Thompson, other John Whitman.

*Hammonds Plains, 2nd*.—J. W. Ruhland.

*Hantsport*.—Rev. J. Murray and Deacon E. Davidson.

*Horton, 1st*.—Rev. S. W. DeBlois, Dr. Cratap, Dr. Sawyer, Prof. Higgins, Deacons J. W. Barss and William Faulkner.

*Horton, 2nd*.—Revds. E. O. Read, J. Stevens, Brethren A. Caldwell, J. Lyzant and J. Vaughan.

*Horton, 3rd*.—William Spencer, Lic., Deacon James Fitch, Brethren John Bridge and W. H. Seaman.

*Indian Harbor*.—Rev. W. E. Hall.

*Kempt*.—Rev. George Weathers and Brother Fred. Grant.

*LaHave*.—C. Kennedy, Lic.

*Lunenburg*.—Rev. A. E. Ingram, Brethren J. J. Parker and J. Westhaver.

*Margaret's Bay, 1st*.—Rev. W. E. Hall, Deacon Fred. Hubley.

*Margaret's Bay 2nd*.—Rev. W. E. Hall.

*New Cornwall.*—Rev. A. E. Ingram, Deacon John Spidle, Brother Cal Spidle.

*New Germany.*—Deacon George Barss.

*Newport.*—Rev. J. H. Robbins, Deacon S. B. Dimock and Brother Joseph Walley.

*New Ross.*—Charles Norwood, Lic.

*Rawdon.*—Rev. J. H. Robbins.

*Sackville.*—Deacon F. Webber.

*Tancook Island.*—Rev. T. C. Delong.

*Windsor.*—Rev. D. M. Welton, Deacon Mark Curry, Brethren Isa. Dimock, O. C. Redden.

*Delegates from Western Association.*—Revds. Dr. Tupper, Isa. Wallace, John Clark.

The following brethren were invited to a seat:—Revds. O. Parker, C. McLean, J. Coombs, J. C. Bleakney, T. A. Higgins, S. Boothby—Agent of American and Foreign Bible Society—Neiley, James Thomas, Brethren Truman Bishop, A. W. Eaton, Joshua Eaton, Samuel Spinney, Prof. Jones, D. McDonald, Arthur Roscoe, Chas. Skinner, James Pick, D. H. Newcomb, Leander Newcomb, C. Roscoe, J. M. Bigelow and Plum.

The ballot being taken, Rev. E. M. Saunders was elected Moderator; Prof. D. F. Higgins and Rev. Jos. Murray were chosen Secretaries; J. S. Witter, Treasurer; Joshua Eaton, Assistant Treasurer; and J. W. Barss, Auditor.

The following Committees were appointed:—

TO EXAMINE LETTERS.—Revds. Dr. Cramp, E. O. Read, I. J. Skinner.

TO READ LETTERS.—Revds. D. M. Welton, S. March, S. W. DeBlois.

ON ARRANGEMENTS.—Revds. S. B. Kempton, D. Freeman, James Parker, Brother W. C. Bill, Deacon Joshua E. Is.

ON QUESTIONS IN LETTERS.—Revds. Dr. Cramp, W. E. Hall, E. Read, Deacons Edward Parker and J. W. Barss.

Letters from the churches were read.

The Committee on Questions in Letters reported letters from Kentville Church and Cambridge Church, requesting admission to the Association, and recommended that they be read.

The Committee on Arrangements reported in part as follows:

That there be Prayer-meeting each morning at 6½ o'clock; the morning sitting begin at 10 o'clock, and close at 12½ o'clock. The afternoon sitting to commence at 2½ o'clock, and close at 4 o'clock.

That all Committees meet at 9 o'clock, A. M.

That the Associational Sermon be preached at 10 o'clock, A. M. on Monday.

That immediately after the Sermon, the Circular Letter be read.

That in the afternoon session of Monday, the subject of Missions be taken up.

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## SABBATH SERVICES.

Canard Baptist Church at 11 a. m., Rev. Dr. Cramp; at 2½ p. m., Rev. Jos. Robbins; 7½ p. m., Rev. E. M. Saunders.  
 Presbyterian Church at 11 a. m., Rev. D. M. Welton.  
 Lower Canard at 3½ p. m., Rev. J. L. Read; at 7½ p. m., Rev. W. B. Boggs.  
 Port Williams at 4 p. m., Rev. T. C. Delong.  
 Colville at 11 a. m., and 7 p. m., Rev. J. C. Bleakney.  
 Kentville at 11 a. m., Rev. W. E. Hall; at 7 p. m., Rev. John Clark.  
 Manning, Methodist Church at 11 a. m., Rev. Dr. Tupper.  
 Manning Baptist Church at 3½ p. m., Rev. Joseph Murray.  
 Scott's Bay at 11 a. m., Rev. M. P. Freeman.  
 Peregau at 11 a. m., Rev. A. E. Ingram.  
 Lower Peregau at 7 p. m., Rev. M. P. Freeman.  
 Woodside at 7 p. m., Rev. A. E. Ingram.  
 St. John's at 11 a. m., Rev. S. March.  
 Brooklyn Street at 7 p. m., C. Spidle, Licentiate.  
 Peregau at 11 a. m., Rev. J. F. Avery.  
 New Brunswick at 11 a. m., Rev. I. Wallace.  
 Minas at 3 p. m., Rev. J. McLean.  
 Adjourned with prayer by Rev. Obed Parker.

*Saturday—Afternoon Session.*

Meeting opened at 2½ o'clock. Prayer by Rev. T. C. Delong.  
 Minutes of last meeting read and approved.  
 Additional Letters from the Churches read.  
 On motion the Cambridge Church was received into the Association.  
 Brother Wm. Forsyth received from the Moderator the right hand of fellowship on behalf of the church.  
 The Kentville Church was also received into the Association;  
 H. Lovett receiving the right hand of fellowship in behalf of the Church.  
 The Committee on Arrangements further reported, recommending the following:—

COMMITTEE ON CIRCULAR LETTER.—Revds. I. J. Skinner, E. M. Saunders, Deacon F. Webber.

ENOMINATIONAL LITERATURE.—Revds. F. O. Read, S. W. DeBlois, I. Wallace, Brethren S. Dimock, M. Curry and Charles Whitman.

BENEVOLENT FUNDS.—J. W. Barss, Rev. G. Weathers, Rev. J. F. Avery, B. Bigh and Edward Parker.

EDUCATION.—Revds. D. M. Welton, D. Freeman, S. March, Brethren J. Eaton, A. Coldwell, Colin Ruscoe, R. N. Beckwith.

MISSIONS.—Revds. T. C. Delong, W. B. Boggs, James Stevens, Joseph J. L. Read, A. E. Ingram, and Brethren C. F. Eaton, and I. Shaw.

SITUARIES.—Revds. T. A. Higgins, O. Parker, Joseph Murray.

SABBATH SCHOOLS.—Rev. M. P. Freeman, T. H. Borden, W. A. Tupper, Pineo, John Payzant, B. W. C. Manning.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.—Dr. Tupper, D. H. Newcomb, George Masters, Grant, William Faulkner.

DELEGATES TO THE EASTERN ASSOCIATION.—D. R. Eaton, Revds. James E. O. Read, Dr. Cramp and D. Freeman.

To CONVENTION.—W. C. Bill, George Masters, J. W. Barsa, S. Selden and F. Webber.

Any ministering brethren attending the other Associations to be our delegates.

The report of the Committee was adopted.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. J. C. Bleakney.

*Monday Morning, June 29th.*

The Associational Sermon was preached by Rev. J. L. Read from Matt. xxi. 28, "Go work to-day in my vineyard."

Business resumed, minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The Committee on Circular Letter reported, recommending that the letter be read.

The Circular Letter having been read by the writer, it was

*Resolved*,—That the letter be adopted by the Association and printed in the Minutes, and that Bro. Selden be requested to publish it in the *Christian Messenger*.

*Resolved*, That Deacon Davison take the place of D. H. Newcomb on the Committee on Sabbath Observance.

Committee on Sabbath Observance reported. After remarks by Dr. Cramp and other brethren, report adopted. (See Appendix A.)

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. John Clark.

*Monday—Afternoon Session.*

Opened with prayer by Rev. T. C. Delong.

Minutes of former Session read and approved.

The Committee on Questions in Letters further reported:

That they had obtained a satisfactory answer to the question asked by the Indian Harbor Church.

That they recommend that the Association be held next year in Halifax with the Granville Street Baptist Church.

Report adopted. (See Appendix B.)

The Committee on Missions presented their report. (See Appendix C.)

Addresses were delivered by Revs. Dr. Cramp, I. Wallace, E. Hall, W. B. Boggs, A. E. Ingram, Brethren R. N. Beckwith and John Ruhland.

The Committee on Arrangements further reported, recommending that Rev. S. W. DeBlois preach the Associational Sermon next year, that Rev. W. E. Hall be his alternate; and that Rev. Geo. Weathers write the Circular letter.

That Brethren S. Selden, John Ruhland and A. W. Clark be a committee to secure reduction of fares on the Railway for those attending the Association.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. James Parker.

*Monday—Evening Session.*

Session opened with prayer by Rev. S. March.

Minutes of former Session read and approved.

The Report on Missions was taken up and an address delivered by Dr. Tupper, after which the report was adopted.

*Resolved*, That the Secretaries be requested to prepare a revised list of the Ministers of this Association for publication in the Minutes.

*Resolved*, That Brother Selden be authorized to print 1200 copies of the Minutes.

*Resolved*, That the Home Mission Union be allowed to publish their report with the Minutes of the Association.

Bro. S. Selden and Rev. E. M. Saunders were appointed a committee to superintend the publication of the Minutes.

The following resolution was moved by Rev. S. B. Kempton, and carried by a rising vote:—

That in view of the wonderful mercy of the Lord in the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the churches composing this Association during this year, by which so many precious souls have been brought out of darkness to light, and so many saints have been quickened, and such testimony given to the truth of the Gospel;

*Be it Resolved*, That we express on our records our sense of the Divine goodness, our obligation to give thanks unto the name of the Lord, and our sincere desire to devote heart and life more entirely to His service.

Committee on Sabbath Schools reported, and after able addresses Brother S. Selden, Revds. Dr. Cramp, D. Freeman, I. Wallace, and Clark and S. J. Neily, the report was adopted. (See Ap. D.)

*Resolved*, That we recommend the International Series of Lessons to all Sabbath Schools within the limits of this Association.

*Resolved*, That a collection be taken to assist the brethren in Maitland and Mapolis to build meeting houses. Collection taken amounting to \$26.00.

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Obituaries,—not having at hand the information required, be allowed to obtain such information and send the report to Brother Selden direct.

*Resolved*, That Brother J. L. Read be requested to furnish Brother Selden with a copy of his sermon preached before the Association for publication in the Messenger.

Adjourned with prayer by Dr. Cramp.

*Tuesday Morning, June 30th.*

Meeting opened with prayer by Bro. Kennedy, Lic.

*Noted*, That a committee be appointed to consider the possibility of making an arrangement to facilitate business; committee to report next year.

*Noted*, That Brother R. N. Beckwith, Dr. Cramp and Prof. Higgins be said committee.

The Committee on Education presented their report. (See Appendix E.)

Addresses were delivered by Revds. D. M. Welton, D. Freeman, B. Kempton, Johnstone Neily, S. March, E. M. Saunders, Dr. Sawyer, I. Wallace, Brethren John Ruhland, R. N. Beckwith, S. Neely and A. A. Pineo.

Report adopted.

*Voted*, That the Treasurer of the Association pay over the monies in his hands to the Treasurers of the several boards.

*Resolved*, That Revds. S. B. Kempton, James Parker, D. Freeman, E. O. Read, Brethren James Bligh, Edward Beckwith, D. R. Eaton and George Morton, be the Board of the Infirm Minister's Fund.

*Resolved*, That the churches be requested to embody in their letters in future the state of Temperance within the sphere of their respective churches and that a committee be appointed to consider in what way the Association can best grapple with the evil of intemperance.

The following resolution was moved by Dr. Cramp and passed unanimously :

*Whereas*, It has been stated that the Act for the Registration of Births and Deaths, has been omitted in the Revised Statutes, and that the operation of the Act is likely to be interfered with very injuriously.

*Resolved*, That a Vigilance Committee be appointed by this Association whose duty it shall be to watch the movements of the authorities in reference to this subject, and who shall be authorised, if necessary, to petition the Legislature, on behalf of the Association, for the maintenance of the Act in its entire integrity, with such improvements as experience may dictate and devise.

*Voted*, That Revds. Dr. Cramp, D. Freeman, and E. M. Saunders be the committee.

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Association are due, and are presented to the members and friends of Canard Church for their hospitality and kindness to this body during this session.

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the Association be conveyed to the Railway authorities for reduction of fares to Delegates.

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Denominational Literature, and Benevolent Funds be requested to present their Reports to the Moderator, to be inserted in the Minutes.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. James Parker, to meet with the Church in Granville Street, Halifax, on the Saturday following the 20th of June, 1875.

E. M. SAUNDERS, *Moderator*.  
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# MINISTERS IN THE CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Name.	Present Residence.	Date of Ordination.	Place of Ordination.
Rev. Avery, J. F.....	Halifax.....	Oct. 20, 1870.	Tawstock, G. B.
" Bancroft, Jeremiah...	Walton.....	March 1849.	Rawdon.
" Cramp, J. M., D. D....	Wolfville.....	May 7, 1818.	London, G. B.
" Crawley, E. A., D. D..	Wolfville.....	May 28, 1830.	Providence, R. I.
" Chase, John.....	Wolfville.....	July 1, 1835.	Billtown.
" Clay, Edwin, M. D....	Halifax.....		Pugwash.
" DeBlois, S. W., A. M..	Wolfville.....	Feb. 26, 1854.	Chester.
" Dimock, D. W. C., A. M.	Billtown.....	Dec. 6, 1841.	Chester.
" Delong, T. C.....	Tancook.....		
" Freeman, D., A. M....	Canning.....	Aug. 1, 1855.	Halifax.
" Hall, W. E.....	Black Pt. St. Marg. Bay	Sept. 23, 1864.	New Germany.
" Hunt, A. S., A. M....	Dartmouth.....	Nov. 10, 1844.	Dartmouth.
" Ingram, A. E.....	Mahone Bay.....	May 28, 1874.	North West.
" Kempton, S. B., A. M..	Canard.....	Sept. 16, 1863.	New Minas.
" March, S.....	Bridgewater.....	July 5, 1865.	St. Francis, N. B.
" Miller, John.....	Halifax.....		
" Murray, Jos., A. M...	Hantsport.....	Nov. 1865.	Guysborough.
" Parker, James.....	Kentville.....	May 19, 1842.	Upper Wilmot.
" Pineo, D.....	Long Point.....	Dec. 24, 1844.	Greenwich.
" Philip, Robert R.....	Hantsport.....	Oct. 12, 1856.	Margaree, C. B.
" Read, E. O.....	Gaspereaux.....	Jan. 8, 1858.	Gaspereaux.
" Read, J. L.....	Upper Aylesford....	June 30, 1858.	Hopewell, N. B.
" Saunders, E. M., A. M..	Halifax.....	Dec. 15, 1858.	West Cornwallis.
" Sawyer, A. W., D. D..	Wolfville.....	Dec. 27, 1853.	Lawrence, Mass. U. S.
" Shaw, D. G.....	Halifax.....	Jan. 24, 1860.	Falmouth.
" Skinner, I. J., A. B....	Chester.....	Sept. 19, 1858.	Port Medway.
" Stevens, James.....	Gaspereaux.....	Aug. 4, 1830.	Horton.
" Vaughan, B.....	Kempton.....	May 4, 1842.	Wolfville.
" Wethers, George.....	Kempton.....	May 12, 1864.	Newport.
" Welton, D. M., A. M..	Windsor.....	Sept. 2, 1857.	Windsor.

## LICENTIATES.

Cornwallis 1st.—John Duncanson, Otis Wallace and Joshua T. Eaton.  
 Cornwallis 2nd.—Charles Norwood, Isaac Skinner and J. D. Skinner.  
 Cornwallis 5th.—James DeWolfe.  
 Halifax 1st.—A. W. Eaton.  
 Halifax 2nd.—Robert Burgess.  
 Horton 1st.—Judson Stevens and Charles Martell.  
 New Cornwall.—Caleb Spidle.  
 Windsor.—Redden.

## Circular Letter.

### ZEAL FOR GOD.

THE CIRCULAR LETTER OF THE NOVA SCOTIA CENTRAL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, TO THE CHURCHES OF WHICH IT IS COMPOSED.

*Dear Brethren,—*

In this our day the wants of the people are many, and the continual demand is progress, yet one is led to cry as did the wise man of old, 'there is nothing new under the sun.' But many may say, "See what the mind and intelligence of man hath wrought." Who caused those huge leviathans with iron sides more compact than those of which Job boasted, and whose internal power and movement can cause them to plough the ocean against the changing wind and tide? Has he not encircled the globe as it were with a spinal cord, so as to tell from one continent to another, the thoughts and actions of kings and kingdoms, by a messenger of lightning speed, which, as quick as the flashes of thought are indicated, bears them away beneath the ocean's bosom, or over the steep and rocky mountains, through forests thick, dark, and lonesome, to make known the commands or demands of one mind to another! Thus on every side are seen the signs of progress. Carriages are whirled at fairy speed to help in developing the skill and restlessness of man; and aias as in days of yore not a few are lifted up thereby, taking glory to themselves, saying, "See this great Babylon which I have builded," whilst others make success their God, and offer to means, as did the heathen in olden time, to their drag and to their net, instead of acknowledging the God of means. Yet this is the tendency of the day, self laudation, availing of subtle reasoning and so-called philosophy, instead of the gospel of Christ. The finding of a few bones and man's surmises thereon, will lead thousands to shake their heads and look wiser than Solomon, and give a doubtful glance at what Moses wrote, seeing as they think, that the remains of pre-historic man are in their grasp, which soon may be proved as authentic as the Kanassa pre-historic skull; that when first found and exhibited, caused no small stir and discussion; it was pre-historic of a truth, for when its history was made known by one a little wiser than the rest, it was proved to be a fossil shell, so that Moses' account of Adam and Eve will not be hurt thereby.

Whilst we know that "it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe," it is our duty to take heed lest we preach foolishly. May our theme ever be Christ and him crucified, the Alpha and Omega, the beginner and ender. If the trumpet give a certain sound, loyal men will be found to do battle, and join

ranks with us. Let us be zealous and jealous for 'the Lord of Hosts,' and for that Word for which our fathers bled and died. Having been separated from the beggarly elements of the world, let us not mix the gospel of the grace of God so as to form a balm for itching ears, but preaching as Christ commanded, will lead men to enquire how they must be saved, and then what hindereth them from being baptized; such must be the result, if we, Philip like, from the scriptures, preach Jesus; thus we shall have as the early church had, a people added unto the Lord as well as unto us. But in these times of free-thought and soul-liberty so-called, we want zeal for the Lord, for without him and this we can do nothing, whilst religion is so toned down and adapted to men's depraved tastes, and is propagated as it is by craft as well as zeal.

Brethren let us stand, and having done all commanded, we shall. Our armour has been proved and never found wanting, although many times the ranks have been thinned by the malice and subtlety of Satan, yet had the furnace been made ten times hotter Jesus had not lacked standard-bearers.

During the past year we have seen the cloud arising to cheer the pastors and churches of this province, and many think they saw and see the bow in the cloud, and should we not prepare for abundance of rain. Let us go down to our homes prepared to gather together as many as shall decide that 'the Lord he is God,' and resolve to follow Christ as many did of old, of whom it is recorded "the world was not worthy."

For this work we need zeal and great grace, for it is wearying; and for encouragement often we need consider the end of our faith. Zeal has done much. In secular history we read of men whose lives were so devoted to their country and whose hearts burned so vehemently with this flame, that they fired others and bore down all opposition. We see not only upon the page of battles the way-marks of the warrior's zeal. But what hath this influence done, and whereunto hath it led the fanatic and deceiver in past ages, reckoning from the time of Christ, how many have drawn multitudes into the snare, by beguiling words and philosophy so-called? Paul saw and knew the danger of this "zeal without knowledge, and not according to God," and that the church might counteract it, he exhorts 'be not weary in well doing, but be zealous of good works.' See how widely the errors of Rome have been spread by the devotees of popedom. Have they not been more zealous in carrying east and west, north and south, their creed and ordinances of men, than we in spreading and proclaiming the gospel of God's grace? Is their zeal in our estimation has been that of a Jehu, many have been so well wrought upon and deceived themselves, that they in honesty say, 'Come see my zeal for the Lord of Hosts,' and we must as Paul said, bear them record, that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge, 'for they being ignorant of God's righteousness and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God.

Forgetting that Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth."

Look at the zeal of idolators on Carmel. how they leap upon the altar. They cry aloud 'O Baal hear us,' and as if to move his apathy they 'cut themselves after their manner with knives and lancets, till the blood gushed out.'

Moloch's fiery arms were not too hot, or their children's lives so precious, but Israel impelled by superstitious zeal, could cast their loved ones a living sacrifice into the devouring fire. Being as Paul said. "Exceedingly zealous of the traditions of their fathers."

"Behold what the zeal of a false prophet has done, his spirit fired millions and lives through generations. We may despise the religion of the Brahmins of India, and the Buddhists of China, and laugh at the absurdities of the Koran, yet here we see the sad and demoralizing effect of error sown by misdirected zealots, continuing after many days, and bearing, like some mighty flood, multitudes away from God and the truth. Many laughed at the audacity and folly of Joe Smith and his doctrine, yet how many were ready, to follow him, leaving kindred and home, to reach the city, the joys of which he and his followers so glowingly described.

Again, within the memory of all. Ritualism was with zeal advocated and brought to the front by Dr. Pusey and a few others, and although greatly opposed at first, it has made its way not only into the universities, but from one end of Britain to the other. In village and city you will find, that for which our fathers of the Reformation counted not their lives dear to deny and destroy, even popery. True her form is modified, but for the better insertion of the wedge. Is the zeal of infidels and sceptics departed? or rather have they not left their out-poken manner, thinking to take more by guile? Are they not seeking to undermine our faith in God's word? They will find dangerous work, driving this tunnel will cost the worker's life, for nothing can separate the Christian church from Christ, for the attraction of God's love is so powerful that they who seek to divide, need take care lest they be ground to powder by the 'stone cut out of the mountains without hands.'

If then false and mis-directed zeal has done so much, are not all things possible to us who believe in an infallible God, and more sure word of prophecy? If the zeal of the Lord was with us, as in our Master Christ, would anything be too hard, and brethren would not our success extend to regions beyond, and many souls be won for Christ?

In the first place I would use the exhortation as given Rev. iii. 19, 'Be zealous therefore.' For who would predict a scholarship for the truant school boy, the merchants' wealth and position for the sloven and dilatory clerk, the skill of the cunning workman to the idle apprentice, or the groaning waggon and bursting barn to the slothful farmer? And if in this sense, 'the hand of the diligent maketh rich,' is it not more needful that the ambassadors of Christ should be in earnest? Has the enemy taken possession of our King and

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Master's right, imprisoned his subjects and defied his law, and shall we be quiet, crying 'peace, peace, where there is no peace?' Or would it not rather be more worthy of us to defy the tyrant's power, and proclaim, in our Lord and Saviour's name, 'liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound?' Should not the zeal of the Lord of Hosts do this, and even more, 'making us dissatisfied with any and every partial reformation, and urging us to a thorough cleansing of God's temple from worldliness and those who are therein: as money-changers and sellers of doves? If Christ commands by precept, how much more should his example stir to holy zeal? We read in the history of Rome, that when Brutus killed Cæsar, that his friend Marcus Antonius brought the body into the forum, and there exposing the emperor's wounds to the people, he read his will, and in impassioned words set forth his good deeds, so that the people's indignation was roused to madness against the murderers of Cæsar. If Antonius was thus able to stir the Romans, because an oppressor was slain by the hand of an assassin, how much more should every power and sympathy be roused into action as we contemplate the scene enacted on Calvary? remembering the Victim thus afflicted was more than 'a good man,' For such his obedience and character that the heavens must be opened and allow the dove, emblematical of purity and of the spirit that rested upon and dwelt within him to descend, as the voice of God was heard declaring, 'This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased.' This was the Messiah of whom Daniel declared 'he shall be cut off but not for himself,' it was 'this same Jesus,' of whom the prophet Isaiah saith 'he was wounded for our transgressions and bruised for our iniquities,' he bore stripes for our healing, not because of fault found in him, but on account of our sin which was imputed to him, he was numbered among 'the transgressors,' not that he had done anything amiss, but that we might have one able to make intercession for us who had transgressed.

If the zeal and love of Christ towards us was such as to enable him to say, when he knew that into the offered cup was compressed the bitterness of death, the wormwood of sin, and that therein was the penalty of the sin, not of one, but of many, 'Not my will but thine be done,' and knowing the Father's will, he was ready to be offered a sacrifice for sin, and, whilst men mocked and made sport of God's Lamb, his last breathings were, 'Father forgive them for they know not what they do?' surely 'we whose souls are lighted with wisdom from on high,' should determine that Christ shall be our theme, his life and love our stimulus to persevere unto the end, knowing the end of our faith is the salvation of our souls,' and that 'our labour is not in vain in the Lord.' For the seed we sow we receive from God, who also giveth the increase, and by the sunlight of his face, and the influence of his Spirit ripens it for the harvest. When many a tearful sower shall receive a glad surprise in seeing his sheaves gathered by angelic reapers, and numbered to his account by the Lord of the harvest, he will take pleasure in

all who have done what they could,' for not only shall the woman's mite and alabaster box be written in the eternal record, but in God's book of remembrance every good word and work shall find a place to be revealed at the last day to the praise of His grace 'who hath called us' and made us 'zealous of good works.' This zeal as to its source is from God. He is the sustainer thereof by his grace. For were it merely of the flesh and not of God, we should find on crossing Jordan 'our lamps are gone out' and ourselves among the unprofitable servants, who will have received their wages in this life. 'But not so those who have been zealous for the Lord, because of his first love to them, for our every effort will be owned, he that hath used well his one talent shall hear, 'Well done good and faithful servant,' as much as he that had five. Let us then brethren be in labours more abundant, remembering Jesus who for the joy set before him endured the cross. It is related that a highland chief McGregor who fell mortally wounded at Preston Pans seeing his clan waver, he raised himself as his life's blood gushed forth and cried aloud, 'I am not dead children, I am looking to see you do your duty.' His words acted as a charm. 'And is there not a charm to thee O believer, in the fact that thou art contending in the battle field of life, under the eye of thy Saviour.'

Let us endure hardness as good soldiers of the Lord Jesus Christ, knowing He liveth not only to make intercession, but to supply daily grace. Let it be said by us as the little drummer boy said, writing from the Crimea to his mother, 'there are difficulties and trials, but mother, it's our duty, and for duty we will die.' Let us do valiantly as did the English when pent in the rock of Gibraltar, for we are told they fired red hot shot and thus destroyed the enemy's fleet, so let us in our preaching and work be zealous or jealous as in Hebrew it might be literally rendered 'glowing fire' from a root signifying deep red, and then it will be said of us, as it is of many whom time would fail us to mention, he 'being dead yet speaketh.' As Paul whose living voice proclaimed salvation unto many, yet Paul still preaches and it was his sermons which led Luther and Zwingli and many kindred souls, 'into the glorious liberty of the gospel of God.' Luther is dead but the Reformation lives, Calvin is gone home, but the effect of his zeal in vindication of God's free and sovereign grace will long remain. Knox the sturdy warrior for the gospel of the grace of God rests in peace, yet Scotland to-day enjoys many blessings from the reformer's zeal. Bunyan has put off the armour, but that well worn coat of mail as shown in Pilgrim's Progress, and the Holy War has done much to encourage and assure Christians that having on the whole armour of God, and having done all that faith and zeal demands, they shall stand. Baxter suffered many pains physically but his zeal for souls made his pen as well as tongue a ready writer to speak the praises of the great King, and to call the unconverted to repentance, and the saints to rest. The success of his writings prove that God will bless that holy ambition that seeks by all means to win some for Christ.

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If more were needed to show the result of this zeal of God's kindling I would mention Eliot, Henry Martin, Carey and other choice missionary spirits, who triumphed over the prejudice of the enlightened, so-called, and the difficulties of an unknown tongue, to preach Christ to the heathen. Was it not this self-same spirit that stirred the fathers of many of our churches? Harding and Manning, are names that thrill souls even now with a holy charm.

Let us resolve then brethren in Christ to labour with zeal, for 'the harvest truly is great,' and if we are not great labourers in the field, still remember, a child unable to bind a sheaf can gather up a handful of grain, and such a spiritual gathering is not to be despised if His words be true. For 'he that winneth souls is wise,' and one soul redeemed by Christ's precious blood, cannot, as to its price, be estimated by silver and gold.

May the God of all grace stir us as a people, (pastors and deacons,) and may the stirring continue till from centre to circumference the waters of blessing shall be moved and not one sick or lame shall say, 'no man careth for my soul.' But may we Jesus-like go everywhere and tell all around of that healing that is for the nations. As Napoleon's soldiers were standing on an eminence, gazing upon the pyramids of Egypt, just before he made his descent upon the Mamelukes, he cried out, "Soldiers, from the summits of yonder pyramids forty ages survey your conduct, act like heroes." And to stir and fire I would say, "Brethren! ye are fighting for truth and heaven, under the command of Jesus, from the summits of the everlasting hills in heaven, and from the blazing thrones of eternity, ten thousand angels and saints, with the Almighty Sovereign for whom ye are fighting, are surveying your conduct. Be strong. Quit you like men. Be valiant for the truth. Act like heroes."

## Appendix.

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### REPORT ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Through the infinite goodness of God, unusually large numbers of converts have been recently added to our Churches. Their progress in the divine life, as well as that of others, their spiritual enjoyment, and their usefulness evidently depends largely on their strict observance of the Lord's Day. Remissness in this duty will undoubtedly be attended with general declension, pernicious backsliding, and great injury to the cause of Christ. If the invaluable privileges of the Holy Sabbath be diligently improved by suitable religious exercises, adapted to keep the mind in a spiritual state, it may be fairly presumed, that other duties will be conscientiously discharged. From such a course inestimable benefits cannot fail to ensue. The declaration of the inspired prophet will doubtless be found to be verified:—"If thou turn away thy foot from the Sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on my holy day, and call the Sabbath a delight, the Holy of the LORD, honorable; and shall honor him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words, then shalt thou delight thyself in the LORD—for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it." Isa. lviii. 13-14.

Respectfully submitted,  
CHARLES TUPPER, *Chairman.*

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### REPORT ON QUESTIONS IN LETTERS.

The Committee on Questions in Letters beg further to report:—That with reference to the Letter from Indian Harbour, complaining that their letter of last year was not acknowledged, and that it contained money; your Committee have ascertained that the letter was duly received, but the money, (\$7.65) having been received after the Association was by mistake credited to another church (Jeddore).

That two Churches have applied for the Association next year Upper Aylesford and Granville Street, Halifax; that the Western Association will hold its next meeting at Tremont, Lower Aylesford, and that it will be manifestly inexpedient that two Associations should meet so near to each other; the Committee therefore recommend that the next meeting of this Association be held with the Church in Granville Street, Halifax.

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REPORT ON MISSIONS.

The Christian Church is a Missionary Society, and every Christian is a Missionary; bound to employ his powers and resources for the propagation of the Gospel as far as he is personally able, and to assist those whose whole time and strength are devoted to the subject.

Home is first to be regarded, as the Apostles were to "begin at Jerusalem." The efforts of our denomination for the spread of the Gospel within our own borders have met with a good degree of success, and are now attracting unusual attention. By systematic arrangements for collections of money, and by judicious employment of appropriate agency, it is hoped that ere long the whole province will be evangelised, and that the churches will then be better prepared to send the glad tidings to far-distant lands.

The French Mission deserves our benevolent and prayerful regards on account of its adaptation to the spiritual needs of the population of a considerable portion of this Province. It has been so far successful as to encourage expectation of enlarged benediction on persevering effort.

Our Foreign missionary enterprise demands warm sympathy and continuance of generous contributions. The Missionaries are engaged in a course of preparatory training, which, while it is absolutely necessary to their ultimate success, presents, as yet, no facts for report. Their letters manifest devoted zeal and patient perseverance, and indicate excellent fitness for the work to which their lives are to be consecrated. Mrs. W. F. Armstrong (formerly Miss Norris) continues in charge of the school at Tavoy, connected with the American Baptist Missionary Union, and exercises a useful influence over the Karen Christians in that district.

All these Missions should be constantly remembered in the prayers of the members of our churches, private, domestic, and public.

Respectfully submitted,  
J. M. CRAMP, *Chairman.*

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REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Your Committee believe that the prosperity of our churches is intimately related to the efficiency of our Sabbath Schools; and that as we desire the one, we must not be indifferent to the other. By this agency valuable assistance is rendered to christian parents, while our youth who have no others to instruct them in the saving truths of the gospel may be brought to Jesus, fitted for the high responsibilities of this life, and prepared for the realities of eternity. The time, therefore, can never come when the Sabbath

School may be set aside. Improved methods may be sought, but the institution itself in its essential features must be perpetuated.

Your Committee feel that the churches comprised in this Association have cause for encouragement in their work, and for gratitude to God, in view of the abundant blessings vouchsafed to their Sabbath Schools during the past year. The Divine blessing has rested upon this department of christian labor, and many precious youth have been brought into the fold of Christ.

Your Committee would urge the formation of Missionary Bands in connection with Sabbath Schools. Our benevolent operations must ever widen, and if we would have the next generation fitted for the work that shall be entrusted to their hands, they must in their youth be instructed not only in doctrines, but also in the duties of our holy religion.

Submitted,

M. P. FREEMAN, *Chairman.*

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### REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The Committee on Education beg leave to report that four young men completed their college course on the first of the present month—three of them preachers of the gospel, and now engaged in mission work. The prospect for the coming term, in regard to students, is encouraging. Mr. Kennedy, of Montreal has been appointed to the chair of Natural Science, and will enter upon his duties in September.

The attendance at the Academy the last year has been, in both departments, in excess of that of the previous year.

The resignation of the Principalship of the Academy by Rev. T. A. Higgins, after 14 years valuable service, has made it necessary to obtain a successor to him, and a committee has been appointed for the purpose. It is hoped that the Governors will soon be prepared to announce to the public the names of an efficient staff of teachers for both branches of the Academy for the ensuing year.

Your Committee are glad to report that there is now some prospect of better provision being made for the education of the young women of the denomination. A scheme for buildings, on the joint stock principle, capable of accommodating 100 boarders, has been initiated by H. N. Paint, Esq., of Halifax, and has received the approval of the Governors of the College, and stock lists are now ready for circulation. There is no reason why 100 young men and as many young women should not be in regular attendance at the Academy. This would soon give over 100 students in the College.

We desire to record our gratitude to the Great Head of the church for the spiritual blessings which have fallen upon the College and Academy the last year, resulting in the conversion of God of nearly all who had not previously experienced his grace.

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Of the number now studying at Horton, about thirty have the ministry in view. It is with pleasure your Committee report that the Executive Board of the Missionary Union have signified their willingness to undertake the support of a Professor in the Theological Department of Acadia College, that this proposition has been favorably received by the Board of Governors, and a committee appointed to nominate the man.

Your Committee would finally urge upon the body the duty of remembering these institutions in their prayers, their sympathies, and their contributions.

D. M. WELTON, *Chairman.*

### REPORT ON DENOMINATIONAL LITERATURE.

Your Committee recommend an extended circulation of all books and papers that give prominence to the distinctive principles and practices of our denomination. Such literature embalms the perishable, arrests decay, and gives wings to valuable thoughts and words. In this great work your Committee believe, that the *Christian Messenger* is making steady progress, and would refer with peculiar satisfaction to the improvements made in the paper during the past year.

The departments devoted to Sabbath Schools, Education, Missions, and Intelligence from the Churches, give most valuable information, and should be read in all our families.

A book department in a central part of the Province where all works of a denominational character could be easily obtained, we believe, is a necessity, and your Committee recommend that the Missionary Union be encouraged in carrying out their plans in respect to this important part of Christian work.

Respectfully submitted,  
E. O. READ, *Chairman.*

## INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND IN ACCOUNT WITH D. R. EATON, TREASURER

1873.		CR.		
June 1.	By balance on hand as per account rendered.....			\$ 817
July 4.	" Cash from Bro. F. Webber, Treas. Asso., per Rev. S. B. Kempton.....			82
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" "	" " Dr. Tupper for Rev. R. S. Morton.....			20
Sept. 24.	" " " for Rev. Johnson Nealey.....			20
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" 29.	" " D. M. Welton for Rev. B. Vaughan.....			20
1874.				
June 1.	To balance carried to new account.....			\$15
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" " By balance brought down.....				\$915
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Cornwallis, June 27th, 1874.

**Treasurer's Account of Monies for Benevolent Objects received at  
the Nova Scotia Central Baptist Association, held at  
Canard, Cornwallis, King's Co., June, 1874.**

NAME OF CHURCH.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	French Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Acadia College.	Infirm Ministers.	Total.
ON, TREASURER							
Stilesford Upper	\$6 25	\$13 75	\$4 73		\$10 00		\$34 73
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Bellevue	4 49	7 35				0 58	12 40
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Donnell 2nd, Berwick	10 00	19 50				3 50	33 00
Donnell 3rd, Billtown	19 81	14 85	2 60		5 00	1 45	43 71
Donnell 4th	1 95	5 50	0 55				8 00
Donnell 5th, Pereaux	11 00	10 70		4 70	12 09	3 47	41 96
Donnell 6th, Canning	10 37	9 85	2 00	1 60	3 75		27 57
Almouth	6 00	4 00	3 00	1 53	6 00	2 00	22 53
Alifax 2nd, North Church	30 00	25 00	5 00		40 00	10 00	100 10
Ammonds Plains 1st	8 00	8 00			8 00		24 00
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Antiport	19 58	14 17	0 50		12 80	2 05	50 00
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**Statistics of the Churches in Nova Scotia Central Baptist Association, held at Canard, Cornwallis, June, 1874.**

NAME OF CHURCH.	Date of Organization.	PASTOR'S NAME.	Year of Settlement.	CLERK, AND POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	Increase.		Decrease.		Present Membership.
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1 Aylesford, U per.....	1846 Rev. J. L. Read.	1850 Whitman Morton, Aylesford	1850		68	5	2	1	250
2 Bridgewater.....	1848 Rev. S. March.	1862 W. J. Gates, Bridgewater.	1862		24	7	1	3	160
3 Burton**.....	1870 Rev. D. Freeman.	1861 J. S. Witter, Canning.	1861		40	11	3	81	22
4 Canning.....	1874	James Cragg, Cambridge.	1874		24			5	93
5 Cambridge.....	Rev. H. Achilles.	1874 J. Faulkner, Chelsea.	1874		58	2	10	6	112
6 Chelsea.....	1811 Rev. I. J. Skinner.	1861 John A. Church, Chester.	1861		3	2	6	5	249
7 Chester.....	1811 Rev. S. B. Kempton.	1868 Otis Eaton, Centreville.	1868		165	9	103	4	492
8 Cornwallis 1st, Canard.....	1835 Rev. D. W. C. Dimock.	1874 Charles B. Lemont, Billtown.	1874		37	5	23	1	395
9 Cornwallis 2nd, Berwick.....	Rev. J. L. Read.	Edward C. Charlton, Burlington.	1861		140			2	147
10 Cornwallis 3rd, Billtown.....	Rev. J. D. Freeman.	1861 D. Freeman.	1861		1	6	1	1	55
11 Cornwallis 4th, Long Point.....	Rev. A. S. Hunt.	J. W. Johnson, Dartmouth.	1862		1	3	20	1	92
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13 Dartmouth.....	1837 Bro. John Crawley.	Benjamin Richardson.	1847		6	9	2	1	176
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CHURCHES.	Education.	Missions.	Infirm Ministers.	Pastor's Salary.	Current Expenses.	Meeting House.	Parsonage.	Church Poor.	Other Purposes.
Lylesford, Upper.....	\$10 00	\$84 23	.....	.....	.....	\$2000 00	.....	.....	.....
Bridgewater.....	14 40	88 91	\$4 00	\$400 00	\$48 69	.....	\$5 00	.....	\$69 00
Canning.....	5 35	37 79	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chester.....	6 70	39 16	2 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16 00
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Cornwallis 1st.....	33 25	375 17	11 70	600 00	180 00	400 00	.....	44 38	50 00
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ART. 9th.—Although as an Association all power over the Churches is claimed, so far as respects any interference with their independence and discipline; yet it is deemed a privilege belonging to the Association to judge of itself of the propriety of receiving or retaining any Church in its connexion.

ART. 10th.—The religious sentiments of this body are those expressed in the "Articles of the Faith and Practice of the Baptist Churches in Nova Scotia."

ART. 11th.—That the Moderator be authorized at any time during the year, to call a special meeting the Association in pursuance of a requisition signed by ten members thereof.

ART. 12th.—Alterations and amendments may be made to this Constitution by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any of its regular meetings.

## RULES OF ORDER.

RULE 1st.—At every sitting, business shall be opened and closed with prayer; and immediately after the opening, the Minutes of the preceding meeting shall be read and corrected.

RULE 2nd.—No member of the Association shall leave the Session before the business is concluded, without permission of the Association.

RULE 3rd.—No subject shall be discussed without a motion first made and seconded.

RULE 4th.—No person shall speak oftener than twice on the same subject unless by permission of the body.

RULE 5th.—Brethren invited to a seat with us may speak on all subjects under consideration, but vote on none.

RULE 6th.—All resolutions shall be presented in writing.

RULE 7th.—Motions made and lost shall not be recorded on the Minutes, except so ordered at the time.

RULE 8th.—These rules shall be distinctly read from the Chair at the opening of the Session.

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OF THE

## NOVA SCOTIA BAPTIST HOME MISSIONARY UNION

**PARRSBORO, CUMBERLAND COUNTY.**

*Friday Afternoon, July 10th, 1873.*

The Second Annual Meeting of the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union, convened at the Baptist Meeting-house, Parrsboro July 10th, 1874, at 3 o'clock, P. M.

The President, Rev. J. M. Cramp, D. D., in the chair.

The meeting was opened by prayer by Rev. Zechariah Morton and others.

*Resolved*, That Rev. Isaiah Wallace be associate Secretary, pro. tem., with Rev. M. P. Freeman, Secretary for the Union during the past year.

The List of Delegates was next called for, and appeared as follows :

### LIST OF DELEGATES.

*Lower Aylesford and South Wilmot*,—Rev. Charles Tupper, D. D.

*Tusket*,—Rev. P. R. Foster.

*Granville Street, Halifax*,—Brethren S. Selden, D. McN. Parker, and J. W. Ruhland.

*Diligent River*,—Deacon D. H. Jenks.

*Yarmouth 1st*,—Rev. G. E. Day.

*Lower Stewiacke*,—Rev. James Meadows, and Brother J. W. Stephens.

*Truro*,—Rev. J. E. Goucher, Brethren Wm. Cummings and Lym Walker.

*Macan*,—Brethren Wm. Blenkhorn, Amos Atkinson and Hance Mills.

*Wilmot*,—Rev. A. Cohoon.

*Onslow East*,—E. M. Kierstead, Licentiate.

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*Brookfield, Queen's Co.*,—Rev. G. N. Ballentine.

*Amherst*,—Brethren Moses Lowe, Wm. Read, and Wm. Freeman.

*Mahone Bay*,—Rev. A. E. Ingram.

*Great Village*,—Rev. M. P. Freeman, and Deacon Ezra Layton.

*Lower Economy*,—Brother Isaiah Soley.

*West Brook*,—Brethren A. Lewis and Stephen Rusco.

*Upper Stewiacke*,—Brother Wm. Bentley.

*Pugwash*,—R. D. Burgess, Licentiate; Deacon Seaman and Edw. Munro.

*Wallace*,—R. D. Burgess, Licentiate; and Brother P. Piers.

*North Sydney*,—Rev. John B. McDonald.

*Parrsboro*,—Brethren Thos. Seaman, Martin Hunter, and Wm. Armstrong.

*Portaupique*,—Brethren Thomas Fulton, George Davidson, and John Robinson.

*Members in their own right*,—Revs. J. M. Cramp, D. D., A. W. Sawyer, D. D., (Acadia College), Isa. Wallace, D. McKeen, G. F. Miles, Jas. Par-

Z. Morton, T. B. Layton, Jno. Coombs, W. G. Parker, D. A. Steele, G. W. Thomas, D. M. Welton, M. Normandy, E. O. Reed, Jos. Murray, J. P. Beel, and H. Bool.

Moved that the following brethren be invited to seats in this Union :

Revds. W. B. Boggs, Calvin Goodspeed, Brethren Ashael Bentley, Andrew Shaw, Edward Davidson, and Judson Davidson, Lic.

After remarks by the President, the Second Annual Report of the Board of the Union was read by Rev. G. E. Day, M. D., Corresponding Sec'y.

After the reading of the above named Report, Bro. Day also presented the Report of the Treasurer.

Resolved on motion by Bro. Selden, seconded by Rev. G. Ballentine that the Reports presented, be received.

A motion for adjournment to 7½ o'clock, having been carried, the Session closed with prayer by Rev. P. R. Foster.

#### *Friday—Evening Session.*

The Union resumed business, in accordance with the previous resolution of adjournment, with prayer by Rev. D. A. Steele.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

The discussion of reports presented at the previous Session was opened by Bro. D. McN. Parker, M. D., and continued by Brethren H. Bool, A. E. Ingram, Wm. Cummings, Isa. Wallace, Dr. Tupper, and G. F. Miles ; after which, on motion of Brethren E. O. Read and G. Ballentine, the Reports were adopted.

Dr. Day, having addressed the Union on the subject of ministerial supply, presented the following resolution, which was seconded by Bro. P. R. Foster.

In view of the great lack of ministerial labor in this Province, and the importance of having men trained for the great work of the ministry,

*Therefore Resolved*, That this Union engage to supervise the raising of \$1000 per annum to sustain a Theological Professor in Acadia College, with the understanding that the donations for this object shall be kept separate from the general fund.

This resolution was spoken to by Brethren C. Goodspeed, Dr. Sawyer, Geo. F. Miles, Dr. Tupper, Dr. Parker, D. McKeen, Wm. Cummings, J. E. Goucher, D. A. Steele, Jas. Parker, W. B. Boggs, John Coombs, Moses Lowe, and W. G. Parker. After a most animating and interesting discussion the motion passed.

Adjourned to meet 8½ o'clock to-morrow morning was carried.

The Session closed with prayer by Bro. McKeen.

#### *Saturday Morning, July 11th.*

The third Session of the Union met on Saturday morning at 8½ o'clock. Opening prayer was offered by Rev. G. F. Miles.

The minutes of previous Session were read and approved.

The Corresponding Secretary presented a communication from

Rev. Jno. Davis, President of the P. E. Island Baptist Home Missionary Board, asking this Board to send an agent to meet with theirs to consider the question of Union between the two Provinces in Home Missionary work.

Dr. Day then moved an amendment to Article 3 of the Constitution, to read as follows :

The object of this Union shall be to promote the spread of the gospel throughout the Provinces of Nova Scotia, P. E. Island, and the Island of Newfoundland, the fostering of feeble churches, the planting of new ones, and the dissemination of denominational literature.

After remarks by Brethren S. Selden and D. A. Steele, the article as thus amended was unanimously adopted.

*Resolved*, That the Board be located in Yarmouth during the coming year.

*Resolved*, That the Board of this Union be the same as last year, the names being as follows :—A. C. Robbins, Samuel Brown, W. A. C. Randall, M. D. J. H. Haley, P. D. Kinney, W. R. Doty, G. E. Day, P. R. Foster, W. H. Warren, J. A. Stubbert J. Rowe, J. H. Saunders and J. Williams.

*Resolved*, That the Board have authority to fill any vacancies that may occur during the year.

The ballot having been taken for President, Dr. Cramp was declared re-elected President for ensuing year.

The following Vice Presidents were next elected—Western Association, Rev. W. G. Parker; Central Association, Rev. D. M. Welton; Eastern Association, Rev. D. A. Steele.

Moved that M. P. Freeman and A. Cohoon be Secretaries for the year. Bro. R. N. Beckwith was chosen Auditor.

The following were chosen the Board of Directors :—

For the Western Association—Revds. Edw. Whitman, J. A. Durkee, D. Cox, G. N. Ballentine, J. M. Parker, Dr. Tapper, Brethren John Clark and B. H. Parker.

For the Central Association—Revds. D. W. C. Dimock, Jas. Parker, J. F. Murray, E. M. Saunders, J. W. Barsa, S. B. Kempton, E. O. Read, and Judge McCully.

For the Eastern Association—Brethren T. M. King, Nelson Dobson, M. Lowe, Wm. Cummings, J. R. Read, Amos Atkinson, A. McDonald of Pugwash and Rev. D. McKeen.

Moved that this Union adjourn to the call of the President. Closed with prayer by Rev. J. F. Murray.

#### **Saturday—Evening Session**

The fourth Session of the Union convened Saturday evening 7½ o'clock. President in the chair. Prayer was offered by Dr. Sawyer.

*Resolved*, That Brethren Isa. Wallace, D. A. Steele, J. B. McDonald, Morton, and S. Selden be delegates from this Union to the P. E. Island Association, to confer with the brethren there on the subject of union with Nova Scotia in Home Missionary work.

*On Motion*, Bro. Ruhland was requested to provide railroad and steamboat accommodation for delegates attending the next annual meeting of the Union in Halifax.

The following was submitted by Dr. Day, and unanimously adopted:—

In view of the many years of service of the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Society, and the great work it has done for the denomination, and the cause of Christ in Nova Scotia and P. E. Island:

And whereas, That society has transferred its work, funds and property to the Board of the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union, and has this day by resolution ceased and determined.

Therefore Resolved, That we record our thanks to Almighty God for the success that attended the officers, members and agents of that Society in proclaiming throughout the field of its operations the gospel of our Lord Jesus Ch. ist.

The following resolution was moved by Dr. Parker, seconded by S. Selden, and supported by J. B. McDonald:

That the thanks of this Union be tendered to its Executive Board, and especially to Rev Dr. Day, the Corresponding Secretary, for the continuous effort and ability displayed in its organization and management during the two years of its existence.

Passed unanimously.

Bro Wallace then presented the following:

Resolved, That in view of the marked manifestation of God's favor in connection with the efforts of the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union during the past year, this body hereby express their heartfelt gratitude to the Great Head of the Church, the source of all success in his service; and that in view of the increasing responsibilities and labors of the Executive Board, their agents and efforts be commended afresh to the divine guidance and blessing.

This resolution was carried unanimously by a rising vote, after which the President led in prayer.

Bro. Day moved the following:

Whereas, Great destitution prevails in these Maritime Provinces in regard to the preaching of the word. Therefore Resolved, that this Union sympathize with our brethren in New Brunswick in their Home Missionary efforts, and that it will be pleased to consult with the New Brunswick brethren in relation to a union with us in Home Mission work.

And further Resolved, That a Committee be appointed by this Union to meet with the New Brunswick brethren at the time of the Convention in August next, to see what arrangements can be made that looks towards union, and to report at the next annual meeting of this body.

The motion was duly seconded, and after being spoken to by Bros. m. Cummings, Dr. Sawyer Isa. Wallace, G. F. Miles, C. Goodreed, Dr. Cramp, and S. Selden, it was passed by a majority of 12.

Resolved, That in pursuance with the above resolution a Committee be appointed to be composed of Revds. G. E. Day, Isa. Wallace, and J. M. Cramp, D. D.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Union be tendered to the friends in Miramichi who have so kindly entertained the delegates to this Union.

Adjournment was then moved and carried, after which the Session closed with prayer by Rev. J. B. McDonald, and benediction by the President of the Union.

M. P. FREEMAN, Secretary.

## SECOND ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

### N. S. Baptist Home Missionary Union.

The Executive Board of the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union beg to present their second Annual Report. At their first meeting after the Anniversary of the Union, your Board re-elected the Officers of last year. On the removal of Rev. W. H. Porter, the Recording Secretary, W. A. C. Randall, Esq., M. D., was elected to that office.

*Delay in making appointments.*—While your Board were awaiting the action of the Committee at Windsor, which was to consummate the Union or make it for a time a comparative failure, they thought it best not to make many appointments. The call, however, was so imperative to send a Missionary to Shelburne that they at once appointed Rev. E. N. Archibald to that field. The results of brother Archibald's labours in Shelburne and vicinity have convinced the Board that the appointment was exceedingly judicious. The little Church at Shelburne which had almost lost its visibility has been greatly revived. Several have been added to its number. A beautiful house of worship has been built and nearly paid for. At Sand Point brother Archibald was also instrumental in getting a new meeting house carried forward to completion. The cause at Sand Point, at Jordan River, and in fact in all parts of the Shelburne field, has been so much revived during the year, that, had little else been done by their Missionaries, your Board would be disposed to thank God and take courage.

*The General Agency.*—After our Union had been consummated at Windsor, your Board believed that it was necessary to put a General Agent immediately in the field, whose work it would be to examine into the destitution that prevailed and report thereon. The Rev. Isaiah Wallace was selected for that important and arduous work. Although brother Wallace was beloved by his Church and congregation, and pleasantly situated, he felt the appointment of the Board to be the call of God. He entered upon the General Agency work about the first of September last. As your Board wished to have as much as possible of the Eastern section of the Province surveyed before the approach of winter, their General Agent started at once for the Eastern extremity of Cape Breton. After he had visited the different counties in that Island and succeeded in grouping small Churches and in making arrangements for the settlement of Missionary pastors, he directed his steps to Guysboro, Antigonish, Pictou, Halifax, Lunenburg and the southern part of Queen's. Subsequently he visited the northern districts of Queen's, and

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labours were blessed to the conversion of many souls and to the up-building of the cause of Christ in Kempt and Maitland, Middlefield, Greenfield, and Chelsea. He then passed through Annapolis and a part of King's. At Berwick he felt it his duty to remain for a time. The cause there was in a very low state. The ways of Zion mourned. The circumstances were such that the Board considered for brother Wallace to remain a few weeks. And soon, under his faithful and zealous efforts, there was witnessed one of the most remarkable displays of divine grace ever seen in this Province. The General Agent then passed on and surveyed rather imperfectly Hants, Cumberland, Colchester, Digby, and Yarmouth. In all the places he visited he seemed to be very successful. Your Board think that the beneficial effects of his labours in awakening an increased interest in the cause of Home Missions, in grouping small Churches, in reviving large ones, and in giving advice to ministers and Churches, cannot be overestimated.

*Lack of ministers and efforts to obtain them.*—In view of the many destitute fields in the Province and the lack of ministers to supply them, the corresponding secretary of your Board opened a correspondence with Dr. Stock, editor of the *London Baptist*. That correspondence called forth many enquiries from brethren in England, which in turn led to the settlement of Rev. P. Gallaher, Milton, Yarmouth County; Rev. J. P. Beel, at Guysboro and Manchester; Rev. John Clark, at Bridgetown; Rev. John Brown, at Bow Bay, C. B., and brother A. E. Ingram, at Mahone Bay. The Board are glad to learn that these brethren are pleased with their fields of labour and are preaching with acceptance to the people. Your Board are persuaded that, as a general rule, provincial men are better adapted to the wants of Nova Scotia than others. But the work of ministers was so great and the cry for men from destitute fields so urgent, that your Board felt it to be their duty to make an effort to supply as rapidly as possible the demand for ministerial labour. To do this they wrote not only to England, but to Canada, and the United States. They also endeavoured to induce our men who were studying at Newton Theological Institution to return to the Provinces. In this latter undertaking they are sorry to report that they have been but partially successful. As it was the aim of your Board to do the very best they could for the cause of Christ generally and for individual churches not only for the present but also for the future, they felt it their duty to point to Mission Stations nearly all the ministerial students at Acadia College and Horton Academy that made application to them. They hoped that by encouraging our young men in this way, they would be more strongly inclined to give the benefit of their future labours to their native land.

*The French Department.*—Your Board are enabled to report that considerable progress has been made during the year in connection with the French Mission. The Missionary has been working

faithfully and his labours have been blessed. Two have been added to the French Mission church by baptism. Several have professed conversion. Some have died rejoicing in hope. Others are beginning to seek for the truth. The word of God is being studied. Its effects are coming to light. The missionary still meets with opposition in several places, but he is generally respected and his influence is acknowledged to be good.

An attempt has been made to build a meeting house at St. Mary Bay for the accommodation of the English and French families residing there who are connected with the French Mission Church. Considerable progress has been made in building. But as there was strong opposition to the work by a neighbouring church, it was thought best to let the matter rest until a full investigation of the affair could be made. The house is generally admitted to be a necessity. It will undoubtedly, therefore, be pushed on at an early date to completion. There are two Mission premises belonging to the French Department of Home Missions. One is situated at Tusket, the other at Saulnierville. They are probably worth \$4000. The house at Tusket is rented. The one at Saulnierville is occupied by our French Missionary.

*The Book Department.*—Your Board felt the growing importance of having our own literature more extensively circulated in the Province, and occupying a more prominent place in our Sabbath School Libraries. To carry out their cherished plan in regard to this matter, they appointed to the colporteur work Mr. A. Lavers. He commenced operations in the County of Shelburne, December last. But the weather was unusually stormy, money was very scarce in that section, and the people visited were generally poor. The sales made by the colporteur, therefore, were not so extensive as the Board anticipated. But a good work was done by the Master. Many denominational and Awakening tracts were distributed, cheap books were given to the poor, and a considerable number of books was sold. Many families were visited who seldom or never had heard the voice of prayer. The poor in several parts of the county had the gospel preached unto them, who scarcely ever had heard the good news except from the lips of our colporteur.

In the early part of April, Gardiner Tufts, Esq., who had been in the employ of the British and North American Tract Society, entered the service of your Board. He has ever since been labouring indefatigably and with the most gratifying success. His literature is circulating very extensively in the counties of Digby, Annapolis, and King's, a pure Baptist literature.

The appointment of J. Albert Walker, Esq., of Antigonish, was made from the first of May. He will canvass the counties of Antigonish, Pictou, Guysboro, and Halifax. He entered very hopefully and energetically upon his work, and bids fair at the present time to be successful in the colporteur department.

Your Board believing the colporteur work to be of immense

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importance, regret that they did not see their way clear to put more labourers in the field. As the enterprise was but in its incipient state they wished to feel their way along and make the Book Department as nearly self-supporting as possible. The corresponding secretary had so much other work to do for the Board—nearly 100 letters to write during the year—that he found it impossible to enlarge the Book Department as he wished to do. It is the firm conviction of your Board, however, that an excellent work has been done in this department. They further believe that if a larger number of suitable colporteurs were found and a proper person retained to take charge of the Department, an incalculable amount of good would be done to the denomination and to the public, and the Department would be very nearly self-sustaining. During the short time our Colporteurs have been at work, nearly 3000 volumes have been taught the truth as we believe it have been circulated, and about 100 worth of denominational and other religious tracts. Who can estimate the amount of good this literature has already accomplished? And who, before the destinies of eternity are developed, will know how wide a range the influence of these volumes has taken?

*Act of Incorporation.*—Your Board found it necessary to prepare a Draft Act of Incorporation. They forwarded this Draft to the Legislature during its last session. And on the 7th day of May it passed the Legislature and received the assent of the Lieutenant Governor. The following is an exact copy.

Be it enacted by the Governor, Council, and Assembly as follows:—

George E. Day, William H. Warren, W. A. C. Randall, James A. Stubbett, John Rowe, Joseph H. Saunders, John Williams, Paoli R. Foster, Abel C. Robbins, Samuel Brown, William R. Doty, John H. Haley, Pearl D. Kinney, and such other persons as are, or shall become members of such Union according to the rules and bye-laws thereof, shall be and hereby are constituted a body corporate by the name of "The Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union," with power to accept legacies and donations, to purchase, take, hold, possess, and enjoy real and personal estate, and also, by deed or other proper conveyance duly executed under the hand of the Chairman and Corresponding Secretary of the Executive Board of such Union, or such other officers as from time to time be duly appointed for such purpose, and to give the seal of such Union, to give, grant, sell, mortgage, lease, and otherwise dispose of the same or any part thereof, and to dispose of the same and proceeds thereof for the benefit of such Union, but subject to the intention of the granters, or donors, and to execute other things in and about the same as shall or may be thought necessary and proper, and also shall have full power and authority to make and amend such constitution, bye-laws, rules, and regulations not inconsistent with law, as may be thought necessary for

the rule and good management of such Union, the choosing of officers and generally for the obtaining of the objects of such Union.

2. The Board of Managers of the French Mission of the Western Baptist Association of Nova Scotia, and the Domestic Mission Board of the Western Baptist Association of Nova Scotia, incorporated respectively under Chapter 47 of the Acts of 1868, and Chapter 59 of the Acts of 1865, by vote or resolution of a majority of the members present at any regular meeting of such respective Boards, and the Board of Management of the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Society, which society was incorporated under Chapter 68 of the Acts of 1865, on a vote or resolution of a majority of the members present at any regular meeting of such Board, may be and are hereby empowered to transfer their work, funds, and property to the corporation hereby established, and thereupon the existence of such Board, or Boards, Society or Societies, or either of them shall cease and determine, and the Act or Acts creating or incorporating them or either of them, shall be, and is, and are hereby repealed, and all the real, personal, or other estate, which such Board or Boards, Society or Societies, or either of them is, or may be interested in or entitled to, shall be vested in the corporation hereby established, and every conveyance, grant, bequest, devise, or gift, of any land or other real, personal, or other estate whatsoever, that may have been made to any or all of such Boards or Societies, or may hereafter be made to them or either of them shall be deemed to be made to and vested in the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union hereby incorporated, in the same manner and as fully to all intents and purposes as if specially given, granted, bequeathed, devised, or conveyed to such Union by proper title; and such Union shall have full power and authority to sue for and recover the same either at law or in equity, and to assign, transfer, sell, encumber, lease, convey, charge or otherwise dispose thereof, but shall appropriate the sums, proceeds and profits thereof to and for the purposes and objects for what the same was or were specially given or intended to be given by the donors or grantors.

3. The Constitution and Bye-Laws of the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union now in force shall be valid and effectual until altered, repealed, or amended in accordance with the provisions of such constitution and bye-laws, and the officers of the union appointed at its Annual Meeting shall remain in office until others shall be appointed in accordance with such constitution and bye-laws.

By the authority conferred by this Act, and in accordance with the request of the Western Nova Scotia Baptist Association at its session in 1873, the Western Domestic Mission Board transferred to your Board two Provincial Debentures at £100 sterling each. The Acadian French Mission Board also transferred their pro-

the choosing of premises at Tusket and Saulnierville to your Board. The Board of Management of the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Society, according to report of the Secretary of said Board, have ordered a transfer to your Board of their property consisting of two Provincial Debentures at £100 Sterling each, provided we would assume their liabilities. Your Board agreed to assume such liabilities on receipt of the Debentures.

Your Board beg to report that they have had during the year 66 different persons under appointment, 10 of whom have been re-appointed, making in all 66 persons employed.

The following is a list of the labourers and their stations:—

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**Missionaries and their work.**

Labourers.	Field of Labor.	Weeks of Service.	Miles Travelled.	Books Sold.	Books Given.	Tracts Given.	Sermons Preached.	Meetings Attended.	Visits Made.	Donations Received.	Baptisms.	Ch. Organized.	Sab. Schools Organized.	Churches Built.	Subscriptions to Ch. Messenger.
1 E. N. Archibald.	Shelburne, &c.	48	2685	96	12	600	183	109	615	\$408 12	24	14	2	2	14
2 M. Normandy.	Saultneville, &c.	32	3407	1	12	n1536	137	34	453	2 50	4	4	1	1	24
3 I. Wallace.	Nova Scotia.	43	5354	1	1	p1498	323	146	818	50 00	242	24	1	1	1
4 N. C. Saunders.	Chesoggin, Argyle, Osborne & Kempt.	16	713	1	1	1	29	41	135	19 73	1	1	1	1	1
5 J. H. Saunders.	Osborne, &c.	6	284	4	4	1	11	116	600	300 00	1	1	1	1	3
6 J. B. Gates.	Argyle.	52	1821	1	1	272	111	7	42	43 62	1	1	1	1	1
7 L. B. Bishop.	Waterville and Falmouth Village.	12	681	1	1	1	20	47	323	131	0	1	1	1	1
8 W. H. Bishop.	Barrington, &c.	13	283	1	1	1	31	32	131	194 47	1	1	1	1	1
9 G. B. Titus.	Osborne.	11	322	1	1	1	23	35	211	56 30	87	1	1	1	1
10 A. W. Baras.	Osborne Bay.	3	602	1	1	1	62	52	17	7 64	1	1	1	1	1
11 J. B. McQuillin.	Barney's River and Goshen.	13	492	1	1	1	15	7	95	13 31	1	1	1	1	1
12 Chas. Mosher.	Greenfield &c.	4	85	1	1	1	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
13 G. W. Thomas.	Canso, Crow Harbor and Half Island Cove.	4	92	1	1	138	16	6	113	187 65	12	1	1	1	1
14 G. F. Currie.	Jeddore, and Tangier.	30	978	1	1	482	79	80	693	49 05	7	1	1	1	1
15 I. M. Weeks.	Isaac's Harbor, Jeddore and Tangier.	8	292	1	1	1	32	7	133	5 00	1	1	1	1	1
16 Chas. Norwood.	New Ross &c.	6	138	1	1	1	22	25	47	1	1	1	1	1	1
17 Daniel McLeod.	St. Ann's, C. B.	6	138	1	1	1	20	10	70	44 22	1	1	1	1	1
18 Z. C. Vickery.	Upper Carleton.	7	183	1	1	250	19	7	199	27 27	22	1	1	1	1
19 J. B. Layton.	Mabou and Isaac's Harbor.	6	303	1	1	1	34	36	46	27 16	1	1	1	1	1
20 F. R. Foster.	Salmon River.	10	250	1	1	1	13	9	88	9 50	1	1	1	1	1
21 F. H. Martell.	Matland.	7	159	1	1	383	13	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
22 J. A. McLean.	Waterville.	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
23 S. A. Chipman.	West Bay, C. B.	6	219	1	1	350	12	5	57	30 14	1	1	1	1	1
24 Geo. Armstrong.	Sydney &c.	6	247	1	1	1	17	11	122	8 22	1	1	1	1	1
25 D. C. Wallace.	Dalhousie West &c.	4	132	1	1	1	11	7	43	17 45	1	1	1	1	1
26 J. A. Wallace.	St. Ann's Cove &c.	4	101	1	1	1	17	1	136	1	1	1	1	1	1
27 Gardiner Tuxia.	St. Ann's Cove &c.	4	350	1	1	700	17	1	238	1	1	1	1	1	1
28 J. A. Wallace.	St. Ann's Cove &c.	4	101	1	1	1	17	1	136	1	1	1	1	1	1
29 F. Bishop.	Black River and Hartsburgville.	4	101	1	1	1	17	1	136	1	1	1	1	1	1
30 D. M. Wallace.	Annapolis &c.	4	101	1	1	1	17	1	136	1	1	1	1	1	1
31 M. A. Bignell.	Matland &c.	4	101	1	1	1	17	1	136	1	1	1	1	1	1
32 James Parker.	New Harbor.	4	101	1	1	1	17	1	136	1	1	1	1	1	1
33 J. Brown.	Kentville.	4	101	1	1	1	17	1	136	1	1	1	1	1	1

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20 P. R. Foster.	303	250	34	36	46	27	27	22	1
21 J. C. H. Martell.	10	159	13	9	58	27	10	9	50
22 J. A. McLean.	7	159	353	12	57	30	14	3	57
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26 O. C. Miller.	4	151	17	17	136	17	43	17	43
27 Gardner Tufte.	12	350	700	17	17	238	17	43	17
28 J. C. L. S. S.	22	100	2304	700	17	238	17	43	17
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41 W. A. Newcombe.	9	219	360	17	11	122	30	14	3
42 A. J. Lavidson.	9	219	360	17	11	122	30	14	3
43 I. M. Longley.	9	219	360	17	11	122	30	14	3
44 J. F. Eaton.	9	219	360	17	11	122	30	14	3
45 Aaron Ross.	9	219	360	17	11	122	30	14	3
46 P. S. McGregor.	9	219	360	17	11	122	30	14	3
47 M. Brown.	9	219	360	17	11	122	30	14	3
48 R. D. Burgess.	9	219	360	17	11	122	30	14	3
49 Jos. H. Pipes.	9	219	360	17	11	122	30	14	3
50 Henry P. Cogswell.	9	219	360	17	11	122	30	14	3
51 G. H. Goudy.	9	219	360	17	11	122	30	14	3
52 George Swainhart.	9	219	360	17	11	122	30	14	3
53 H. Achilles.	9	219	360	17	11	122	30	14	3
54 F. C. Corey.	9	219	360	17	11	122	30	14	3
55 J. H. Robbins.	9	219	360	17	11	122	30	14	3
56 J. W. Rhuland.	9	219	360	17	11	122	30	14	3

\* 4 weeks not reported. † About \$3.00 not reported to Treasurer. ‡ 4 weeks not reported to us. Paid by Windsor Church. § Balance paid by Windsor Church. || Resigned. Report not received. ¶ These were appointed by the Board in Halifax, and accepted by the Board of the Union.

SUMMARY.—56 Agents, Missionaries, and Colporteurs have been in commission during the year. 10 others have received appointments a second time. Together they have laboured 473 weeks; travelling 18,968 miles; sold 2820 volumes; given away about \$25 worth of books; distributed 3894 tracts, about 15,000 pages; preached 1281 sermons; attended 946 other meetings; made 5123 family visits; baptized 417; organized 5 sabbath schools; built or carried to completion 4 new meeting houses; organized 1 church; obtained 54 subscribers to the "Christian Messenger"; received on the field \$1436.17 beside the amount sent by the General Agent to the Treasurer, and which appears in his account.

Your Board further report, that that in addition to the appointments they have made, they introduced Rev. H. Bool to the Churches at Maccan and River Hebert, and that he settled with them. They also introduced Bro. Isaac S. Skinner to Rev. D. A. Steele and the Amherst Church, and that Bro. Skinner was accepted by the Church to assist their Pastor.

In view of the great success that has attended their labours during the past year, your Board wish to record their heart-felt thanks to Almighty God. Keeping in mind that it is not by might nor by power but by his Spirit that the best efforts become successful, they would not take any credit to themselves but would give God all the glory.

Your Board in conclusion, beg to express the hope that the great questions which will come before the Union will be dealt with in a liberal spirit. They also hope that their successors in office will be much more successful than they have been and that many throughout the length and breadth of the land will bless God for the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union.

On behalf of the Executive Board,

G. E. DAY, *Cor. Secretary.*

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March 27.	"	Chas. Norwood, Lic., on Mission at New Ross and Blue Mountain.....	\$43 30
April	1.	Lockport Church in aid of Shelburne Mission.....	45 50
"	8.	Rev. Isa. Wallace.....	55 00
"	11.	Rev. I. E. Bill, int. on Bequest of the late C. R. Bill.....	12 00
"	"	Rev. Dr. Day, for books sold.....	2 62
"	16.	Rev. Geo. Titus, from Osborne Church.....	7 17
"	25.	A Friend, per Rev. D. W. C. Dimock.....	10 00
"	29.	Widow James Noonan, per Rev. W. E. Hall.....	1 00
May	2.	Gardiner Tufts, Esq., sales of books.....	20 00
"	"	Argyle Baptist Sabbath School for books, per Rev. L. B. Gates.....	30 00
"	"	First Yarmouth Sabbath School for books per Rev. Dr. Day.....	40 00
"	14.	Rev. Isa. Wallace.....	60 00
"	18.	W. R. Doty, Esq., donation.....	5 00
"	"	Rev. J. B. McQuillin, collected on his Mission.....	25 68
"	"	Rev. Dr. Day, sales of books.....	3 32
"	19.	Port Medway Bap. Sab. School, per Rev. Dr. Day..	40 00
"	27.	Sophia Nelson, Brookfield, per S. Selden, Esq.....	1 00
"	"	Nellie DeWolf, per ".....	1 00
"	"	Windsor Baptist Church, per Rev. D. M. Welton....	24 00
June	1.	G. E. Tufts, Esq., sales of books, per Rev. Dr. Day.	190 00
"	"	Rev. P. R. Foster, collected on Mission, Salmon River	14 93
"	"	Rev. Dr. Day, sales of books.....	0 70
"	"	Charles Norwood, Lic., collected, New Ross, &c.....	28 00
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"	"	Temple Bap. Sab. School for books, per Rev. Dr. Day	65 00
"	13.	Rev. Isa. Wallace.....	31 50
"	16.	do. do. ....	70 00
"	"	Arcadia Baptist Church, per Rev. J. Williams.....	27 74
"	"	South Yarmouth Church, ".....	23 05
"	"	Rev. T. B. Layton, col. on Mission to Margaree, &c.	12 50
"	17.	Rev. Dr. Day, sales of Tracts.....	1 00
"	25.	Treas. Western Bap. Association, per Rev. Dr. Day.	543 29
"	"	Lower Granville Church, ".....	12 00
"	"	Rev. Isa. Wallace, ".....	41 30
"	"	L. M. Weeks, collected at Isaacs Harbor, &c.....	187 35
"	29.	Windsor Baptist Church, per Rev. D. M. Welton....	78 40
"	30.	1st Baptist Church, Digby Neck, per Rev. J. C. Morse	8 00
"	"	Ohio Baptist Church, per Dea. J. W. Patten.....	7 00
July	1.	G. E. Tufts, Esq., sales of books, per Rev. Dr. Day.	90 00
"	3.	Interest on Provincial Debentures, per S. Selden, Esq	29 20
"	"	2nd Digby Neck Church, per Rev. J. C. Morse.....	5 10
"	4.	Collected by Rev. J. B. Layton, Isaacs Harbor.....	31 19
"	"	Central Ass. deposited at Wolfville Bank Agency...	333 31
"	"	Bequest late Widow Parker, deposited do. ....	61 57
"	"	Collected by Rev. E. N. Archibald on Mission at Shelburne, per account. ....	408 12
"	4.	Received Bank Agency Check, Wolfville, per Rev. Isa. Wallace.....	100 00
"	"	1st Yarmouth Baptist Church, per Rev. Dr. Day....	335 01
"	"	Temple Baptist Church, do do. ....	290 00
"	"	Milton Baptist Church, per Rev. Mr. Gallagher.....	28 73
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July 9.	" N. C. Saunders, Lic., per Order.....		
July 21.	" Rev. Isa. Wallace expences as Delegate to Eastern Associ- ation per Order.....	\$1 17	20 00
" 30.	" Rev. L. B. Gates Mission to Argyle per Order.....	7 00	
Aug. 29.	" Rev. E. N. Archibald Mission to Shelburne per Order.....	40 00	
Sept. 13.	" N. C. Saunders, Lic., bal. 12 weeks Mission and expences to Argyle, Osborne, &c.....	50 00	
Oct. 7.	" Windsor Baptist Church for Sabbath supply when their Pastor was absent in the service of the Union.....	97 50	
" "	" Rev. J. H. Saunders account as Agent of Board to Osborne and vicinity \$40.00. Expences 2.61.....	5 40	
" 15.	" Rev. Isa. Wallace per A. C. Robbins, Esq.....	42 61	
" 22.	" Rev. W. L. Richan per Order.....	100 00	
Nov. 15.	" Rev. Isa. Wallace per Order.....	66 00	
" 18.	" Rev. Dr. Day account for Printing, duties on Books, Freight, Telegrams, Postages, &c.....	57 74	
" 26.	" A. H. Lavers, Colporteur per Order.....	21 42	
Dec. 1.	" Rev. P. R. Foster Mission to Salmon River.....	60 00	
" 4.	" Rev. A. W. Barss Mission.....	25 00	
" 5.	" Rev. Isa. Wallace.....	41 70	
" 10.	" Rev. Geo. Titus, Lic., 11 weeks Miss. to Osborne & vicinity	20 00	
" 19.	" Rev. E. N. Archibald per Order.....	94 47	
" 31.	" Rev. Isa. Wallace balance 4 months Salary.....\$122 26	40 00	
	Do. Travelling expences.....	38 50	
" "	" Advanced to assist West and Cow Bay Churches by Rev. Isa. Wallace.....	160 76	
" "	" Post Office Orders and Postages by Rev. Isa. Wallace....	25 00	
1874.	" Draft in favor Geo. H. Springer for Books.....	2 20	
Jan. 13.	" Rev. J. B. McQuillan received by him per his account.....	245 21	
" "	Do. Cash Post Office Order.....\$45 69	32 50	
" "	Do. Cost of same.....	0 30	
" "	" Rev. Dr. Day, acc. Stationery, Postages, Telegrams, &c.....	45 99	
" 3.	" G. F. Curry, Lic., 3 1/2 weeks Mission Jeddore.....	9 69	
" "	" R. H. Bishop, Lic., 12 weeks Mission Falmouth Village	28 00	
" "	" Chas. Mosher 4 weeks Mission Middlefield, Greenfield and Chelaea.....	96 00	
" "	" Post Office Orders for the above.....	36 00	
March 20.	" Rev. Isa. Wallace per Order.....	0 55	
" "	" Windsor Bap. Church, Rev. D. M. Welton Miss. to Maitland	65 00	
" "	Do. do. do. to Waterville	10 00	
" "	" A. H. Lavers Colporteur by Rev. Dr. Day.....	10 00	
" "	S. Selden, Esq., Printing Reports and Postage.....\$69 20	65 00	
" "	Post Office Order for same.....	0 40	
" 14.	" Rev. Isa. Wallace per Order.....	69 60	
" 25.	" Rev. P. H. Foster Mission to Salmon River.....	83 00	
" 27.	" Chas. Norwood, Lic., 8 weeks Mission to New Ross and Blue Mountain.....	25 00	
April	" Post Office Order for the above.....	72 00	
" 8.	" Rev. E. N. Archibald received from Lockport Baptist Church in aid of Shelburne Mission.....	0 20	
" 11.	" Rev. Isa. Wallace per Order.....	45 50	
" "	Do. bal. on Salary to March 31.....	81 00	
" 23.	" Rev. Dr. Day account Postages, Telegrams, Duties on Books, Cartage, Freight, &c.....	20 11	
May 5.	" L. M. Weeks, Lic., per Order.....	30 20	
" "	" Rev. Isa. Wallace, per Order.....	75 00	
" "	" Rev. Dr. Day account for Books purchased.....	50 00	
" 15.	" Rev. L. B. Gates in aid Argyle Church.....	5 10	
" "	" Rev. Isa. Wallace per Order.....	25 00	
" 18.	" Rev. Dr. Day Invoice Books, duties and expences.....	30 00	
" "	Do. Rev. J. B. McQuillan, amount collected by him.....\$25 68	420 00	
" "	Do. Post Office Order bal. acct.....	37 18	
" 23.	" Rev. Dr. Day, account, Freights, Telegrams, &c.....	62 68	
" 27.	" Z. C. Vickery, Lic., Mission to Upper Carlton, &c.....	12 92	
June 1.	" Windsor Baptist Church for aid to Maitland Mission.....	54 00	
" "	" Rev. P. R. Foster Mission to Salmon River.....	6 00	
" "	" Rev. Dr. Day account Freights, Duties and Telegrams....	25 00	
" "	" Alfred Chipman per Order.....	18 63	
" "	" Chas. Norwood, Mission to New Ross, &c.....	50 00	
		63 00	

May 13.	Rev. Isa. Wallace per Order .....	\$10 00
17.	Rev. Dr. Day, account Duties, Freights, Copying Act Incorporation, Telegrams and Postages.....	21 29
" "	Rev. T. B. Layton 4 weeks Mission to Magaree.....	40 00
" "	Post Office Order for do.....	0 20
July 25.	L. M. Weeks, Lic., bal. 6 mths. Miss. to Isaacs Harbor .....	133 00
4.	Rev. T. B. Layton 4 weeks Mission to Isaacs Harbor.....	40 00
" "	Post Office Order for same.....	0 20
" "	Rev. Dr. Day expences to Annual Convention.....	20 00
" "	N. C. Saunders, Lic., per Rev. Isa. Wallace.....	4 00
" "	H. P. Cogswell, Lic., per Rev. Dr. Day.....	10 00
" "	Loan to Mal land Church by Rev. Isa. Wallace.....	50 00
" "	Account, Duties, Freight, Cartage on Books.....	5 03
" "	Rev. John Brown on Mission at Cow Bay.....	100 00
" "	Rev. Daniel McLeod on Mission to St. Anna.....	75 00
" "	E. N. Archibald, Collected on Shelburne Mission.....	\$408 12
" "	Do. Balance Treasurers Salary.....	106 38
" "	3 Post Office Orders and Postage for same.....	514 50
" "	G. H. Springer for Books per Dr. Day.....	1 54
		601 50

Balance in hand..... \$4,660 89

\$5,393 31

SAMUEL BROWN, Treasurer.

The above account has been examined by us and found correct.

P. D. KINNEY, } Auditors.  
JOHN H. HALEY, }

Yarmouth, N. S., July 4th, 1874.

# SUMMARY.

Total amount received on account of Home Missionary Union.....	\$5,393 31
Do. do. French Mission.....	857 91
	\$6,251 22

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Total amount paid on account of Home Missionary Union.....	\$4,660 89
Do. do. French Mission.....	631 33
	\$5,292 27

Total balance in hand..... \$958 95

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